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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the first paragraph on Page 1 of the specification as indicated below:

This is a divisional of co-pending U.S. Serial No. 09/077,795, filed on June 5, 1998, which is the U.S. National Stage Application of PCT International Application No. PCT/GB96/03055, filed on 11 December 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 6,466, 570 to Low et al., issued October 15, 2002. The subject matter of the present application is also related to U.S. Patent No. 6,131,095 to Low et al., issued October 10, 2000 and to co-pending U.S. Serial No. ~~40/052,258~~ 10/052,285, filed on January 18, 2002. This present invention relates to a method and apparatus for determining a telephone number for accessing a target entity identified by a number string.

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